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In re Application of:

Yasuo MOTOYAMA, et al.

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

In response to the Office Action of June 6, 2002, please enter the following amendment:

IN THE CLAIMS

Carcel claims 1-12 without prejudice or disclaimer, applicant reserving the right to present nonelected claims in a later filed divisional application.

Please enter the following new claim:

13. (New) A gene sequence of a spacer region between a gene coding 16S rRNA and a gene coding 23S rRNA of Pectinatus cerevisiiphilus containing the base sequence represented by SEQ ID NO:3.